



PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 3683

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Tetsuya MIYAZAKI Group Art Unit: 3683

Application No.: 10/821,984 Examiner: D. KRAMER

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For: BRAKING SYSTEM FOR VEHICLE

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the November 21, 2006 Office Action, reconsideration of the aboveidentified application is respectfully requested. Claims 1-20 are pending.

Applicant appreciates the indication of allowable subject matter in claim 6.

Claims 1-3, 7-15, 17 and 19-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over Osada et al. (Osada), U.S. Patent No. 5,230,549. The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Osada fails to disclose a braking system for a vehicle with an increasing direction target control value that is the target control value (for controlling the braking device based on an operation state amount and an operation state of the operating member) when the operating member is operated in the braking force increasing direction, and a decreasing direction target control value that is the target control value when the operating member is operated in the braking force decreasing direction with the increasing direction target control